

## DESERTED HUSBAND SEEKING DIVORCE

Wealthy Old Man Has  
Found New Love.

### WIFE'S STRANGE CAREER

Left Sixteen Years Ago With Virginia  
Girl With Whom She Was  
Infatuated.

BOSTON, Dec. 20.—Capt. Nathan Appleton, wealthy member of one of the best Boston families and known in nearly all of the European capitals, has started divorce proceedings, and his wife was served with the papers last week. She was formerly Miss Jeanette Ovington, of Brooklyn, and her marriage eighteen years ago was a big social event.

Captain Appleton, who has not seen his wife in sixteen years, makes the announcement that he will, when the divorce is granted, marry Miss Edith Willis, of Newburyport, Mass. Miss Willis confirms this statement, and adds that she hopes to make Captain Appleton happier than his first wife did. Captain Appleton is sixty-two years old and Miss Willis is thirty.

#### Separation a Mystery.

The separation of the Appletons was for a time a society mystery, and it was not for two years that the news came out that Mrs. Appleton had left her rich husband and had gone to Europe with Miss Katharine Parsons, of Natural Bridge, Va.

Captain Appleton was a close friend of Colonel Henry Clay Parsons, and shortly after their wedding the Appletons visited the Virginia home of the Parsons.

There was noticed a close friendship between the stately Miss Katharine and Mrs. Appleton, and in subsequent visits the companionship grew so inseparable that Colonel Parsons finally requested the older woman to leave.

Mrs. Appleton held an influence over the Virginia girl that could not be broken, and on the day she left the South Miss Katharine told her parents that she would accompany her. Tears, prayers and entreaties were of no avail. Both women came to New York, and a few days later sailed for Europe.

#### Young Woman Determined.

Colonel Parsons placed detectives on the track of his daughter, and located her in Egypt. In reply to the request that she return home, she said:

"I am twenty-one years old, and I do not care to see my father and mother again." Mrs. Appleton denied that she had hypnotized or used any other influence on the girl.

Mrs. Appleton and Miss Parsons are both residing in this city. Colonel Parsons was killed a number of years ago by a railroad conductor.

It had been the desire of Captain Appleton to forget his unfortunate marriage, and he said yesterday that he had not thought of marrying again until a year ago, when he met Miss Willis. This young woman, who comes from an old Puritan family, admits that she is in love with Captain Appleton, putting it this way:

"If I were only sixteen years old there might be ground for criticizing my engagement to Captain Appleton, but I am certainly old enough to know my own mind. I am deeply fond of Captain Appleton. Nobody who knows him can have anything except respect for him and admiration for the fine qualities of his mind and heart."

#### Can Make Him Happy.

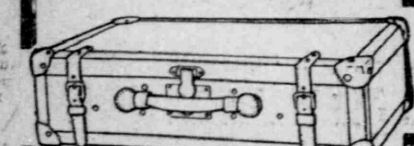
"I believe I can make him happy, and I am equally certain that our marriage will result in my happiness."

Captain Appleton has been a deeply wronged man. If I can make happy the declining years of his life, it will be my greatest pleasure. To say that I am marrying him for his money would be as absurd as it would be unjust. I have a small income of my own.

### MAN LAUGHS HIMSELF INTO AN ASYLUM

LIMA, Ohio, Dec. 20.—Jacob Heffner wears a smile that won't come off. He can't stop laughing, and when the spells come on him he rolls on the floor and laughs for hours. He has been sent to an insane asylum.

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## FOUR WOMEN RESCUED FROM BURNING HOUSE

Fireman and Policeman  
Heroes at Blaze on  
G Street.



LIEUT. P. J. SULLIVAN,  
Of Truck C, Who Once More Saves  
Lives at Bad Fire.

While the building at 1205 G street northwest, was burning, four women were carried down ladders to a place of safety by firemen and police at an early hour this morning. The women are Mrs. E. McCafferty, Mrs. Edith Meredith, and the Misses Kella and Mary Meredith. Policeman Samson, of the First precinct, and Lieutenant Sullivan, of Truck C, rescued them.

The total damage done by the fire, which is believed to have originated in the basement of the Juelg Piano Company's store, over which the women lived, will probably amount to about \$40,000. The building was completely gutted. A large number of pianos were consumed by the flames, and all of the household effects in the apartments over the store went up in smoke.

#### Found at 1 o'clock.

S. J. Venable discovered the fire shortly before 1 o'clock and turned in an alarm. When the firemen reached the scene a general alarm was turned in.

Members of Truck C immediately ran their longest ladder up, against the building, and Lieutenant Sullivan hurried up to the third floor window, where the women, in their night clothes, stood screaming for assistance.

Sullivan carried two of the women to the ground. Samson took the other women down.

The flames spread to the second and third floors of Muddiman & Co.'s gas fixture and lamp store, adjoining Juelg's place on the east.

#### Next House Catches.

About \$5,000 damage was done to Muddiman's stock and the building. The Juelg Company lost about \$15,000. Chief Belt thought the total damage was about \$35,000 or \$40,000.

No one could be found who knew anything about the origin of the blaze. It

the Philadelphia office in good condition, and Mr. Bosler will find everything in first class shape when he takes charge. The new Treasury official is a manufacturer. His bond will be \$250,000.

### JOS. BOSLER'S NOMINATION CONSIDERED SATISFACTORY

The nomination of Joseph Bosler, of Quontz, Pa., to be United States Assistant Treasurer at Philadelphia to succeed William Leib, removed, is considered a very satisfactory one at the Treasury Department. Since Leib's removal, Treasurer Treat has spent most of his time in the Philadelphia office, and although the recommendation of Bosler came from Senator Penrose, it is believed Mr. Treat's opinion as to his qualifications was secured before the matter was closed.

Mr. Treat's examinations have found

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### PUZZLE IN PUNCTUATION.

WINSTED, Conn., Dec. 20.—The omission of a period in the town clerk's copy of a deed of land in Torrington to Mrs. John McGuinness, of that town, is holding up the transfer of valuable real estate there to the New Haven railroad. The deed was supposed to call for a tract 1.51 chains front, but according to the city hall copy the frontage is 1.51 chains, which is over five miles. Mrs. McGuinness refuses to say whether or not she has the original deed, made over twenty years ago.

### ISLE OF PINES "REVOLT"

UNWISE, SAYS COL. KEENAN

Col. T. J. Keenan, of Pittsburg, president of the American Society of the Isle of Pines, who for three years has been fighting to give Cuba title the Isle, is in the city. Colonel Keenan expressed himself as not being in sympathy with the "revolt" movement in the Isle of Pines, recognizing that it is now generally conceded to have been unwise. He advocates the sending of a Congressional committee to the Isle in order to investigate the entire question.

### HUBBY CRACKS JOKES AS WIFEY SCRUBS

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 20.—In applying for a warrant for her husband's arrest for non-support, Mrs. Dudley Louder, of this city, says: "My husband is good to me, but won't work. He stays at home, cracking jokes while I take in washing."

### Charles Dana Gibson's drawings are gentle satires of the men and manners of to-day.

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## Jealous Indian Brands White Wife by Sadiron

E. C. Bruce, of Easton, Pa., Also Hung Her to  
Hook, Slashed Her With Knife, and  
Beat Her With Buckle.

EASTON, Pa., Dec. 20.—Her features bruised and swollen almost beyond recognition, her ear crushed, long gashes in her limbs and arms, a physical wreck for life and on the verge of nervous prostration, Mrs. Edward C. Bruce, who alleges she was brutally attacked last week by her husband, a quarter-breed Indian, managed to tell the story of the inhuman treatment accorded her.

The attack occurred last week, and Bruce is now in the county jail, held without bail, awaiting the action of the grand jury.

#### Used to Be Handsome.

Mrs. Bruce was a strikingly handsome woman before the attack. She is a decided brunette and refined.

"Almost from the first," said Mrs. Bruce, "he ill-treated me. Few were the days I had no black eyes caused by his fists. He would not allow me to go out of his sight. If our pet dog or cat would come up to me before going to him, he would frequently hit me."

#### Burned Cat Up.

"In one of those spells he killed the cat and burned it in the cellar furnace."

"There," he said, "when I got tired of you, you will follow the same fate. People will think you ran away from me."

"He had a bad for photography, and took delight in taking pictures of me. If I did not wish to pose as he wanted he would beat me unmercifully."

"The climax came Tuesday. For fear I'd go away in his absence, he tied my wrists and suspended me by a hook. My feet barely touched the floor, and the harder I pulled at my wrists the tighter became the rope."

"He left me that way for two hours. When he returned I begged to be freed. He untied me, but worse followed."

"With a stout rope he bound my hands and feet and laid me on the floor. Several times he jumped on me with both feet. Then he kicked me on the head and pounded me with the butt end of a revolver. I was afraid every second he would shoot me."

"With a penknife he cut gashes in my limbs and burned me on the hips with a hot sadiron. Not satisfied, he took a stout strap, and with the buckle end whipped me."

"Then he choked me until I was unconscious, and left the house, leaving me half-dead."

Mrs. Bruce met Bruce about seven years ago. They were married in March.

He Has Money.

Bruce is the grandson of John Gould, a farmer and lumberman of Coupeville, Wash. The latter was worth about \$80,000, and by the provisions of his will \$20,000 went to Bruce.

District Attorney Stutz refused to liberate Bruce on any amount of bail. Talk of lynching is rife if Bruce would come out of jail on bail.

"Seeing New York"

This is the only exhibit of Mr. Gibson's work that will be given this year. It is probably the last that will ever be given of his black-and-white drawings. As Mr. Gibson has left America for three years, this exhibit of his recent work will arouse a more than ordinary interest.

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